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## **Repairing Scour Holes Near Streams**

Isolated scour which has occurred on the overbank of a stream may be restored to pre-flood conditions. Fill may be brought in and placed in the scoured-out area up to the level of the existing adjacent ground. Flood-deposited sand may also be used to fill the scour holes. However, it is recommended that the sand be covered with soil. An alternate repair method would be to simply regrade the area using adjacent soils to eliminate any sharp breaks in grade. This will create a low area in the field where water may pond which may be objectionable, depending on the field's use.

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